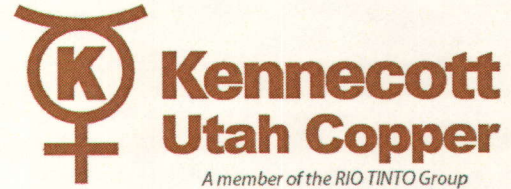


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January 4, 2008

Ms. Mary Ann Wright
State of Utah
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Dear Ms. Wright:

Request for Extension of Time to Abate Notice of Violation No. N2007-58-01

Pursuant to UAC R647-6-102.2.16 Kennecott Utah Copper ("KUC") is requesting an extension of the abatement period of the above referenced Notice of Violation ("the NOV") beyond 90 days. The reason for this request is the extended timeframe necessary to resolve the complex and varied technical issues addressed in the NOV. Since the NOV was issued, KUC has participated in multiple meetings and field inspections with Division of Oil Gas and Mining ("the Division") staff to actively pursue abatement of the NOV. KUC and the Division have exchanged correspondence during this period and interim extensions of timeline have been mutually agreed upon by both parties. It is KUC's intention to continue to actively engage with the division until a mutually agreeable resolution to the NOV is achieved.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this request further, please contact me at 569-7427. KUC appreciates the Division's ongoing willingness to work collaboratively to achieve productive and mutually beneficial resolution to these issues.

Sincerely,



Chris Kaiser, Principal Advisor
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